

HONORING THE CAREER OF JEAN
M. ROUSSEAU

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 9, 2021

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of Jean M. Rousseau. Since 2015, Jean served as the County Administrative Office for the Fresno County Board of Supervisors.

Jean has been a citizen of the San Joaquin Valley his entire life. He has spent his marriage and his time raising his three children in the Central Valley. Jean attended California State University, Fresno where he received his bachelor's degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in accounting in 1986. Prior to attending college, he graduated from San Joaquin Memorial High School, my own alma mater. Jean has been with high school sweetheart, Andria for 38 years.

Before working for Fresno County, Jean was County Administrative Officer for Tulare County, and he held various other accounting-related positions throughout the Valley. His experience as a Certified Public Accountant has been an essential asset to the Central Valley for more than 30 years.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the career of Jean M. Rousseau. His service and contributions to the Central Valley will be missed. I join his family, friends, and the community in celebrating Jean's successful career and wish him the best of luck in retirement.

COMMEMORATING THE 250-YEAR
ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE
OF ALAMANCE

HON. TED BUDD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, as we close out the calendar year, I rise today to commemorate the 250-year anniversary of the Battle of Alamance.

In 1771, a group of North Carolinians took a stand for their rights, raising their voices in opposition to the unjust overreach and abuses they were subjected to under the watch of royal governor William Tryon. These colonists branded themselves as the Regulators—seeking to protect individual liberties that had been encroached upon by a government more interested in serving itself than its people. Of primary concern to the Regulators were issues of unfair taxation, corruption, and illegally assessed fines, penalties, and fees.

Governor Tryon caught wind of the Regulators' revolt and moved swiftly to silence them. Assembling a militia at New Bern, Tryon and his forces headed west. The conflict reached its height when armed Regulators were met by the Governor's militiamen in modern-day Alamance County. Refusing to be subdued, the Regulators defied Tryon's call for their surrender and the Governor charged his militia to open fire. Many Regulators were killed, injured, or taken prisoner; but their cause was not forgotten and their bravery not wasted.

Preceding the onset of the Revolutionary War, the Regulator Movement gave public face to the frustrations of colonists who recognized they were toyed with like pawns at the hands of a power-hungry British Empire and its corrupt regime of abusive officials. Surely, it was the righteous anger, bold indignation, and strong resolve of these early North Carolinians that set flame to the hearts of their fellow American patriots who would declare their independence with resounding authority in 1776, affirming:

... That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be, FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political Connection between them and the State of Great-Britain is and ought to be totally dissolved."

Madam Speaker, as we reflect on the Regulators' courage, may we in this Congress vow to preserve the fundamental rights to life and liberty that undergird our American prosperity. Please join me in tribute to the spirit of the American Revolution as displayed in 1771 at the Battle of Alamance, in a county I have the high privilege of representing within North Carolina's 13th Congressional District.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ITALY ALBERT
"I.A." GREENE

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an educator, a veteran, and a fellow South Carolina State University alumnus as he celebrates his 100th birthday. Dr. Italy Albert "I.A." Greene was born on the auspicious day of December 25, 1921 and has been blessed with longevity and a full life.

I.A. Greene was born in Williamsburg County, South Carolina and graduated from Wilson High School in Florence, South Carolina in 1941. After high school, he matriculated at South Carolina State College (now University), but World War II disrupted his plans. In 1942, he felt called to serve and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. He received an honorable discharge in 1945 after three years of service.

After leaving the Air Force, Dr. Greene returned to South Carolina State and graduated in 1948 with a degree in agriculture. Upon graduation, he began teaching at Rosemary High School in Andrews, South Carolina, where he taught agriculture, biology, chemistry, and general science for five years.

In 1953, Dr. Greene was hired as the Vocational Agriculture Instructor at Mayo High School in Darlington, South Carolina, where he established the school's first Agriculture Department. While teaching in Darlington, he continued his higher education earning a master's degree in education in 1957 at South Carolina State and completing an additional 30 hours of post graduate work in Secondary Administrative Education.

During the 1968–1969 school year, Dr. Greene became Mayo High School's Assistant Principal. That year he oversaw the school's Accreditation Committee for the Southern Association of Secondary Schools. After just one year as Assistant Principal, Dr. Green was elevated to serve as Mayo High School's Principal.

His first year as Principal in 1969 through 1970 was historic. That was the year the courts ordered schools in Darlington County to integrate. Dr. Greene referred to his experience as "baptism by fire." He often recalls that no college classroom or textbook could prepare an educator to oversee such a significant change. Yet, Dr. Greene says, "it was the most dramatic and exciting period of my career."

Dr. Greene spent the rest of his career as Mayo High School's Principal and retired in 1983. In retirement, he has been active in the community; working with Habitat for Humanity, the Red Cross, United Way, the Community Action Agency, the Lord Cares Ministry, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, St. John's Heritage Foundation, and Billie Hardee Home for Boys.

His faith is the foundation of his life. He and his wife co-founded Comfort Ministries to offer Christian counseling and Bible study for the community. They also own two mobile home parks in Darlington County to support families in need of housing. St. James the Elder Theological Seminary of the Holy Catholic Church International awarded him an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in 2012.

Dr. Greene is an active member of Bethel AME Church in Darlington, where he taught Bible study, Sunday school, and new member classes. He has also been a member of the Men's Choir and served as a class leader and as steward pro-tem. Dr. Greene is married to the former Effie Bacote of Darlington, and they are the parents of two children, grandparents of six, and great-grandparents of six.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and our colleagues to join me in wishing centenarian I.A. Greene a heartfelt happy birthday. He has led a remarkable life and has had a tremendous impact on the lives of countless students and many others in his community. I offer sincere congratulations to Dr. Greene on reaching this significant milestone and extend best wishes for many more happy and healthy days.

IN RECOGNITION OF HOSSAM
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HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Dr. Hossam Maksoud for his outstanding career and dedication to creating accessible health services. For over twenty-five years, Dr. Maksoud has been at the forefront of providing affordable medication and healthcare.

When Dr. Maksoud received his pharmaceutical degree in 1990 from St. John's University's School of Pharmacy, he already had an established family business and chain of pharmacies in Egypt. Dr. Maksoud used this entrepreneurial experience in the United States to establish Maksoud Pharm, Inc in 1993.

Maksoud Pharm grew into a chain of independent retail pharmacies in the New York tri-state area. With the revenues generated from Maksoud Pharm, Dr. Maksoud was able to launch his long-term care pharmacy company, Community Care Rx.

Dr. Maksoud currently serves as Chief Executive Officer of Community Care Rx. As a

long-term care pharmacy, the company serves Adult & Pediatric Residential Programs, Assisted Living Facilities, Hospital Discharge Programs, HIV Programs, Hospital and Nursing Home Discharges and Skilled Nursing Facilities. Community Care Rx has a specific focus on nonprofit organizations that serve individuals unable to care for themselves.

Dr. Maksoud's goal is to address pharmaceutical drug shortages, working with lists provided by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Over the years, Dr. Maksoud created additional healthcare companies to confront shortage concerns, such as Community Care Specialty Pharmacy, which is URAC and ACHC accredited, to address the difficulty in obtaining specialty disease state medications for patients. Dr. Maksoud also created Community Care Consulting, which reviews patients' medication charts in order to reduce patient and facility financial burdens.

In 2017, Dr. Maksoud once again launched an initiative to address the drug shortage problem. With four partners, he created Dawah Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a drug manufacturing company. Dawah Pharmaceuticals aims to provide affordable medication to the market by producing generic versions of otherwise widely inaccessible medication. One of these generics is currently under review by the FDA and has a projected release in the second quarter of 2022. In partnership with Oakrum Pharma, Dawah Pharmaceuticals will market the medication through wholesale distribution across the United States, to the benefit of institutions such as hospitals and clinics.

Dr. Maksoud is a board member of the Egyptian African Business Association (EABA) and is an active participant in many long-term care and nonprofit associations in the tristate area, such as IAC, ESAAL, NYAEMP, NYSACRA, HCANJ, and NJACP. Additionally, Dr. Maksoud, along with his family, established The Maksoud Foundation, which assists the elderly in obtaining medication they cannot afford.

As a dual citizen of Egypt and the United States with extensive experience living and working in multiple countries, Dr. Maksoud brings a unique perspective to his work. His global experience has demonstrated to him the importance and the value of diversity and community philanthropy.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Hossam Maksoud for his community service, his generosity, and especially his commitment to providing affordable medication and increasing access to quality healthcare.

HONORING LLOYD PECK'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 9, 2021

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to wish United States Marine Corps Veteran and valuable member of our community, Mr. Lloyd B. Peck, a happy 90th birthday.

Mr. Peck served as an active-duty Marine from 1948 to 1959 on the front lines of the Korean war. When he returned home, he remained part of our military community, and

dedicated himself to serving his fellow veterans.

In recent years, Mr. Peck has organized Veterans Day parades and has served as the Chief Parade Marshal in Altoona, Pennsylvania. Further, he heads the Blair County War Veterans Council, and has worked tirelessly to advocate for veterans' issues.

On behalf of the people of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District, I applaud Lloyd for his active efforts to better our community and his dedication to supporting America's veterans.

Let me be among the countless friends and family wishing him a happy 90th birthday.

ROBERT "BOB" BRIGGS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 9, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Robert "Bob" Briggs of Westminster, Colorado who passed away on December 2, 2021.

Bob was born December 24, 1937 in Greeley, Colo. as one of eight children and the oldest son. His family moved to Westminster, Colo. in 1943, where Briggs graduated from Westminster High School. He earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree from Colorado State University, both in horticulture. According to a January 2020 profile in Orchard Living, "he majored in horticulture because he did not want to wear a tie for a living." Bob married his wife Shirley on September 8, 1957.

Bob had a long career in local and state politics, serving as Adams County Commissioner for four years beginning in 1979, as the local Board Member for the Regional Transportation District for four years beginning in 1999, and a State Representative for District 29 from January 2003 to 2005. He served two terms on the Westminster City Council from 2007 to 2015, including a stint as the Mayor Pro Tem. He also served as charter President of the original Westminster Chamber of Commerce in 1967. That group merged with the Adams County Chamber in 1982 where he also served as a board member. In this free time, Bob spent his time serving the Colorado Greenhouse Grower's Association, the Westminster Open Space Board, the Westminster Rotary, the Jefferson County Historical Commission and was still serving as a member of the Board of Directors for the Butterfly Pavilion upon his passing. He was a longtime proponent of local rail and helped found the advocacy group, Rocky Mountain Rail.

Bob was a devoted husband and loving father and grandfather. Bob and Shirley raised two children and enjoyed spending time with their grandchildren. I am deeply grateful for his lifetime of service to our community.

CELEBRATING GREENVILLE COUNTY SCHOOLS 2021 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE, MR. BILL EVANS

HON. JEFF DUNCAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 9, 2021

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Mr. Bill Evans in being named a Greenville County Schools 2021 Hall of Fame Inductee.

Born and raised in Washington, Georgia, Mr. Evans was inspired by his own high school teachers. He attended Berry College in Rome, Georgia, and graduated with a bachelor's degree in Physical Education and a minor in English. Upon graduation, Mr. Evans began his teaching career in 1989.

Evans taught English at Hillcrest High School in Greenville, South Carolina for 28 years. He is responsible for developing the school's Speech and Debate Program, which has won numerous tournaments and competitions. Altogether, his work in the education field promoted excellence for South Carolina students in the subjects of English, Speech, and Debate for nearly three decades.

During his career, Mr. Evans was twice named Teacher of the Year. In 2012, he earned the National Speech and Debate Teacher of the Year award and was inducted into the Mississippi Speech and Debate Hall of Fame. Additional accolades for Mr. Evans include the National Speech and Debate Four Diamond Coach Award and a two-time presidency of the South Carolina Speech Teachers Association.

In 2017, Mr. Evans retired from Hillcrest High School. That year's edition of the school yearbook was dedicated to him. The following year, the annual Hillcrest Speech and Debate Tournament was named in his honor.

Fellow teachers remember Mr. Evans as someone who takes new teachers under his wing and shows them how to make the classroom a positive and fun environment. They recall his love of Shakespeare and how his interactive lessons allowed students to engage and enjoy Shakespeare just as much. Mr. Evans describes himself as someone who was "destined to be an educator." Among his many distinguished students are an award-winning poet, an award-winning screenplay writer, numerous state and national Speech and Debate champions, and several current and former members of my congressional staff.

In late November, at the Greenville Convention Center, Greenville County Schools honored Evans at its annual Hall of Fame ceremony. Today, Mr. Evans and his wife, Maria, reside in Simpsonville, SC. They have three children.

Reflecting on the accomplishments of Mr. Evans and his students, I am reminded of the impact Mr. Evans continues to make on young adults who completed their high school education at Hillcrest High School. His students, fellow teachers, and surrounding community members in the state of South Carolina are inspired by him. I am proud to represent and serve constituents as impactful as those like Mr. Evans.

Madam Speaker, it is a privilege to be able to serve the Third District of South Carolina and to celebrate those who make a difference through education.